After watching the labor rate hearing I'm surprised no one mentioned the labor rate is based on billing hours negotiated not actual hours worked.

A attorney charges you 200.00 per hour and must prove the hours being charged. A Collison repair shop can negotiate an 10.0 hour repair, if the repair only takes 5.0 to complete the repair shop is still paid the 10.0 hours.

Another study using real world repair cost to insurer for the past 10 years. The cost of repairs have well exceeded the inflation rate without a higher labor rate paid by the insurer.

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